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AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2026 REGULAR SESSION
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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}

Date Prepared: 2/1/2026 *Check all that apply:*
Bill Number: S195 Original Correction
 Amendment Substitute

Sponsor: Sen. Campos **Agency Name and Code Number:** DFA-341
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27		
	1,000	NR	GF

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27	FY28		

(Parenthesis () indicate revenue decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY26	FY27	FY28	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total						

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis:

Senate Bill 195 (SB195) seeks to enhance the capabilities and knowledge of elected officials overseeing soil and water conservation districts, potentially improving conservation efforts and resource management statewide.

Key Provisions:

- **Appropriation Amount:** SB195 appropriates \$1,000,000 from the general fund to the Department of Finance and Administration.
- **Use of Funds:** The funds are designated for contracting training and outreach services for supervisors of soil and water conservation districts statewide.
- **Fiscal Year:** The appropriation is for expenditure during fiscal year 2027.
- **Reversion Clause:** Any unexpended balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2027 will revert to the general fund.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Generally, the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) anticipates implementation of SB195 will require dedicated staff time for contract management, fiscal oversight, and coordination with districts and providers.

- **General Fund Impact:** HB195 appropriates \$1,000,000 from the general fund for fiscal year 2027. This will reduce the general fund's available funds by this amount.
 - **Reversion of Unused Funds:** Any portion of the \$1,000,000 that remains unspent at the end of fiscal year 2027 will revert to the general fund, thereby mitigating the long-term fiscal impact.
- **Administrative Costs:** DFA anticipates incurring 250 to 350 additional work hours (\$37,500 to \$52,500 [\$150 per. hr]) in administrative costs related to contracting and managing the training and outreach services.
 - While these costs are not in DFA's operating budget, DFA believes it can absorb these responsibilities within existing resources or formally document workload impacts for future budget considerations.
- **Long-Term Benefits:** While HB195 involves an upfront cost, the training and outreach

services for soil and water conservation district supervisors may lead to improved resource management and conservation practices. This could result in long-term economic and environmental benefits, potentially offsetting the initial expenditure.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

N/A.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

SB195 could improve the performance of soil and water conservation districts, contributing to better resource management and environmental stewardship across the state.

- **Improved Leadership and Decision-Making:** By providing training and outreach to elected supervisors of soil and water conservation districts, the bill aims to enhance their knowledge, skills, and effectiveness in managing conservation efforts. This could lead to better decision-making and governance within these districts.
- **Enhanced Conservation Practices:** Well-trained supervisors may implement more efficient and sustainable soil and water conservation practices, resulting in improved environmental outcomes, including reduced soil erosion, better water management, and preservation of natural resources.
- **Statewide Impact:** Because the training and outreach services are intended for supervisors across all soil and water conservation districts in New Mexico, SB195 has the potential to establish a uniform standard of knowledge and practices statewide, fostering collaboration and consistency in conservation efforts.
- **Capacity Building:** SB195 could strengthen the institutional capacity of soil and water conservation districts, enabling them to address challenges more effectively and adapt to changing environmental conditions.
- **Accountability and Transparency:** Training may also enhance supervisors' understanding of their roles and responsibilities, fostering greater accountability and transparency in district operations.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

- SB195 will require DFA to manage the \$1,000,000 appropriation, oversee contracts for training and outreach services, and ensure proper allocation of funds to benefit soil and water conservation district supervisors statewide.
 - Additionally, DFA will be responsible for monitoring expenditures and ensuring any unspent funds revert to the general fund at the end of fiscal year 2027.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

N/A.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

N/A.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

N/A.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

N/A.

AMENDMENTS

N/A.